

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FY 09-10 Executive Budget Review

Parish Transportation



The Parish Transportation Agency includes the following programs:

Parish Road Program

Mass Transit Program

Off-System Roads and Bridges Match Program



Executive Budget By Means of Finance

PARISH TRANSPORTATION							
Means of Financing (MOF)	Actual Expenditures FY 2007-08	Existing Operating Budget FY 2008-09 (2/1/09)	Executive Budget FY 2009-10	Change From FY 08-09 to FY 09-10	Percent Change From FY 08-09 to FY 09-10		
State General Fund (SGF)	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%		
Interagency Transfers (IAT)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%		
Fees and Self-gen. Rev. (SGR)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%		
Statutory Dedications (SD)	\$47,962,500	\$48,105,000	\$46,400,000	(\$1,705,000)	-3.54%		
Interim Emergency Board	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%		
Federal Funds (FED)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%		
TOTAL MOF	\$48,962,500	\$48,105,000	\$46,400,000	(\$1,705,000)	-3.54%		

Major Source of Revenue is the Transportation Trust Fund - Regular.

There are no Federal Funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 included in the FY 2009-2010 Executive Budget Recommendation.



Significant Budget Changes

(\$1.56 million) SD Reduction of funding to Parish Roads to distribute declining Transportation Trust Fund – Regular revenue on a pro-rata basis (\$1,562,500 SD).

(\$142,500) SD Reduction of line item appropriation to Mass Transit Program providing supplemental funding to the St. Bernard Parish mass transit system.



Distribution of Funds

PARISH ROAD PROGRAM						
Transportation Trust Fund - Regular	FY 2007-08 Actual Expenditures	FY 2008-09 Existing Operating Budget 2/1/2009	FY 2009-10 Executive Budget	Change FY 2008-09 to FY 2009-10	Percent Change EOB to Exec Bud	
Pro-capita Formula	\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000	\$0	0.0%	
Road Mileage Formula	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$4,445,000	(\$1,555,000)	-25.9%	
Total	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000	\$38,445,000	(\$1,555,000)	-3.9%	

The Parish Road appropriation is distributed to the sixty-four parishes for road systems maintenance. State statute provides the funds be distributed on a population-based, or pro-capita, formula. State statute provides that funds in excess of the FY 93-94 appropriation level (\$34,000,000) be distributed to parishes based upon parish road mileage.



Distribution of Funds

MASS TRANSIT PROGRAM						
Means of Finance	FY 2007-08 Actual Expenditures	FY 2008-09 Existing Operating Budget 2/1/2009	FY 2009-10 Executive Budget	Change FY 2008-09 to FY 2009-10	Percent Change EOB to Exec Bud	
State General Fund (Direct)	\$1,000,000	\$142,500	\$0	(\$142,500)	-100.0%	
Transportation Trust Fund - Regular	\$4,962,500	\$4,955,000	\$4,955,000	\$0	0.0%	
Total	\$5,962,500	\$5,097,500	\$4,955,000	(\$142,500)	-2.8%	

- •The Mass Transit appropriation provides funding to the eligible cities or parishes with mass transit systems. Cities and parishes receiving such aid include the following: Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Monroe, New Orleans, Jefferson Parish, Kenner, St. Bernard Parish, Shreveport, St. Tammany Parish, and Houma. Additionally the state Department of Transportation and Development Transit Division receives funding from this source to provide local match money for the purchase of transit buses.
- •SGF appropriation of \$1 million in FY 07-08 was a line item appropriation for mass transit to be distributed in specific amounts among the transit systems. SGF appropriation of \$150,000 in FY 08-09 was a line item to provide supplemental funding to the St. Bernard Parish mass transit system.



Distribution of Funds

OFF SYSTEM ROADS AND BRIDGES MATCH PROGRAM						
Means of Finance	FY 2007-08 Actual Expenditures	FY 2008-09 Existing Operating Budget 2/1/2009	FY 2009-10 Executive Budget	Change FY 2008-09 to FY 2009-10	Percent Change EOB to Exec Bud	
Transportation Trust Fund - Regular	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	0.0%	

• The Local Match for Offsystem Roads and Bridges Match appropriation provides funding to local Government entities to serve as match for federal aid to off-system railroad crossings and bridges.



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Major Statutory Dedications

- Transportation Trust Fund Regular Art. 7, Sec. 27
 - Source: State tax, 16 cents per gallon on gasoline and special fuels, vehicle license fees, weights permits and fines, interest earnings, and a portion of motor vehicle sales taxes that are currently suspended.
 - The trust fund is to be used exclusively for:
 - Highway construction and maintenance
 - The highway priority program
 - Statewide flood control
 - Ports and airports priority programs
 - Transit
 - State police traffic control
 - The Parish Transportation Fund
 - All unexpended, unencumbered monies in the fund at each fiscal year end are to remain in the trust fund.